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EMPLOYMENT POLICY FOR UNORGANISED WORKERS
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Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has taken any steps to formulate or contemplating to formulate a new employment policy to make available the employment to the workers particularly from unorganised sector in the country throughout the year;
- (b) If so, the details thereof; and
- (c) if not, the reasons therefor ?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) OF THE MINISTRY OF LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT (SHRI OSCAR FERNANDES)

(a)(b)and(c) : The Approach Paper to the Eleventh Five Year Plan envisages creation of 70 million new work opportunities. This is for all categories of unemployed viz. illiterate/educated/semi-skilled/skilled/unskilled. Additional employment opportunities in the future will be generated mainly in services and manufacturing sectors and policy initiatives need to support this. Measures would need to be taken in the Eleventh Plan to boost, in particular, labour intensive manufacturing sectors such as food processing, leather products, footwear and textiles, and services sector such as tourism and construction.